

**WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
TOWNSHIP COUNCIL – TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN**

APRIL 2, 2015

OAKHURST, NEW JERSEY

The Workshop Meeting was held in the Council Conference Room, Town Hall, 399 Monmouth Road, Oakhurst, NJ 07755 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Siciliano
Deputy Mayor Garofalo
Councilmember(s) Evans, Long and Schepiga

Others: Martin Arbus, Esq., Township Attorney
Andrew Brannen, Township Manager
Vincent Buttiglieri, Township Clerk

Mayor Siciliano announced that the notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act for this meeting have been satisfied; a copy of the Annual Notice was sent to the Asbury Park Press and The Coaster, posted in Town Hall and filed in the Office of the Township Clerk on December 30, 2014.

REVIEW OF ALL REGULAR MEETING MATERIAL:

Andrew Brannen, Township Manager, went through the meeting items, which were reviewed by the Governing Body and held for the Public Meeting of April 2, 2015, unless otherwise noted (*):

B1

Authorizing the Budget to be read by title

Public Hearing on the 2015 Municipal Budget

Resolution to Adopt the 2015 Municipal Budget

CONSENT AGENDA:

MINUTES:

March 18, 2015 - Workshop and Public Meeting

RESOLUTIONS:

15-071 Authorize the Release of Performance Guarantees for the following:

- a. Block 26, Lot 2 - 72 Larkin Place - Board of Fire Commissioners District No. 1
- b. Block 33.38, Lot 10 - 1708 Finderne Street - Bevin Irvin Builders, Inc.
- c. Block 53, Lot 9 - 250 Golf Road - Elliot Azoulay

Andrew Brannen, Township manager, said that all three of these properties will not be required to post maintenance bonds.

15-072 Authorize the Release of Maintenance Guarantees for the following:

- a. Block 25 34 | Lot 31 01 - 406 Redmond Avenue - F-3 Developers, Inc.

Mr. Brannen also said that the Township was only 1 of 4 municipalities to receive said grant.

15-074 Authorize the release of various Closed Session Minutes

15-075 Adopt the Hazard Mitigation Plan

Mr. Brannen said that this resolution needed to be re-done due to specific language requirements.

INDIVIDUAL ACTION:

RESOLUTIONS:

15-076 Approve the continuance on the assessment installment payment plan for various property owners who have become delinquent for their assessment(s) confirmed on November 14, 2013

15-077 Authorize the purchase of two (2) Dodge Charger Police Vehicles from Hertrick Fleet Services, Milford, DE (State Contract A88729) at a total cost not to exceed \$50,187.60

Mr. Brannen said that these two vehicles are included in the 2015 Police Department budget.

15-078 Authorize a Professional Services contract for groundwater remediation with Groundwater & Environmental Services, Inc at a cost not to exceed \$48,877.00

Mr. Brannen stated that this is a new contract for ongoing remediation at the Public Works garage on Beecroft Place. Mr. Brannen said that this contamination is restricted to the site itself and has not infiltrated any of the surrounding properties.

15-079 Authorize the Acceptance of the following Grant(s):

a. Safe and Secure Communities Sub-Grant

Mr. Brannen said that one condition of this Grant is that the Township maintain a minimum of 59 Police Officers.

15-080 Authorize the Tax Collector to issue a refund to those taxpayers who have been declared a Totally Disabled Veteran and have received a Homestead Rebate credit on their taxes

15-081 Authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the Inter-local Services Agreement between the Township and the Board of Education for the rental of school buses for the 2015

ITEM FOR DISCUSSION:

SUBJECT: Volunteer Incentive Ordinance Update

ACTION: Mr. Brannen said that Ordinance No. 1665, adopted on February 16, 1994, needs to be brought current with the various incentives the Township can offer. All Governing Body members agreed

b. Monmouth Road Paving Project – from Roseld Avenue to West Park Avenue

- Roadway will be milled on April 16 – 17
- Roadway will be paved on April 21 and striped on April 24

All work will be done at night as to not disrupt traffic flow.

c. Sunset Avenue Project

- Curbing, sidewalk and apron work will commence on April 6 with a duration of approximately 3 weeks.
- Paving will commence after the concrete work has been completed and will be done during the overnight.

d. Town Hall Parking Lot Expansion

- The Township will appear before the Planning Board in May for Site Plan and Sub-division approval.

e. Recycling Center

Mr. Brannen said that due to the lack of volume for the concrete collection at the recycling center, the Township has decided to purchase a dumpster for the site and Mazza & Sons will come and empty it when it is full.

SUBJECT: Own Ocean Rewards Program Update

ACTION: Mayor Siciliano reported that a meeting was held on March 27 with prospective participants in the Own Ocean Program - 15 businesses attended with 10 signing up on the spot..

Those renting residents in Ocean Township will also be able to participate with the only difference being that they will receive a rebate check each year instead of a credit to taxes.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmember Evans reported that the damaged sign at Towne Shops has been removed. Councilmember Evans also commended Public Works for the great job they are doing on pothole repairs.

Councilmember Schepiga distributed the submissions made for the Township-sponsored logo contest.

Deputy Mayor Garofalo said that the residents on Wanamassa Point Road have requested a larger speed limit sign.

Deputy Mayor Garofalo also inquired if there was any update on the potential development of a solar park.

Mr. Brannen will be discussing this matter with a Licensed Site Remediation Professional and will report back afterwards.

**RESOLUTION
DECLARING CLOSED SESSION**

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Ocean, County of Monmouth as follows:

1. The Public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matters.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - C1. Litigation – COAH
 - C2. Litigation – Police Department
3. It is anticipated at this time that the Municipal Clerk shall on a six (6) month basis, review the minutes of closed sessions of the Township of Ocean and make a recommendation to the Governing Body which minutes should be considered for public record. The minutes which are made public shall not thereafter be treated as confidential, but may be seen and copied by any person(s) in the same manner as any meeting minutes of the Township of Ocean.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Record of Vote	Deputy Mayor Garofalo	Councilman Evans	Councilman Long	Councilwoman Schepiga	Mayor Siciliano
Motion To Approve			X		
Motion to Second		X			
Approved	X	X	X	X	X
Opposed					
Not Voting/Recuse					
Absent/Excused					

Seeing that there were no additional comments, the meeting was adjourned.

Record of Vote	Deputy Mayor Garofalo	Councilman Evans	Councilman Long	Councilwoman Schepiga	Mayor Siciliano
Motion To Approve			X		
Motion to Second				X	
Approved	X	X	X	X	X
Opposed					
Not Voting/Recuse					